

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Box PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Case Docket No. 55071-131

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

INVENTOR: Xuelong SHI, Jang Fung CHEN, Duan-Fu Stephen HSU
FOR: METHOD OF IDENTIFYING AN EXTREME INTERACTION PITCH
REGION, METHODS OF DESIGNING MASK PATTERNS AND
MANUFACTURING MASKS, DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHODS
AND COMPUTER PROGRAMS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 31 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- ☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ Priority Claimed. United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/271,722
- ☐ Certified copy of _____
- ☒ 14 sheets of formal drawing.
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to _____
and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☐ An associate power of attorney.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and reference.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ CIP of 09/840,305
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Respectfully submitted,

MCDERMOTT, WILL & EMERY


Michael E. Fogarty
Registration No. 36,139

600 13th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20005-3096
(202) 756-8000 MEF:mlw
Date: February 27, 2002
Facsimile: (202) 756-8087



20277

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE